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Listing of claims:

1. (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method for sending a message using at least one transport, comprising:
 - receiving data including at least one recipient address that indicates a destination for the message; and
 - for each recipient address in the data,
 - determining a transport to deliver the message based on characters of the recipient address using data associated with the address; and
 - setting a flag associated with the message to indicate the determined transport.
2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein determining the transport includes examining data associated with the address for pre-defined patterns.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein an address is determined to be a wireless address if the address contains numbers.
4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2, wherein the transport is determined to be a default transport if the data associated with the address contains no identifiable pre-defined pattern.
5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the further comprising data associated with the address that explicitly indicates that a particular transport should deliver the message to the address.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein the data is associated with the address in response to a user selecting the address from a list.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising each transport performing the actions of:

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determining if the flag indicates the transport should deliver the message; and if so, delivering the message.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising each transport performing the actions of:

determining if the transport is a last transport to send the message; and if so, further processing the message.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein further processing the message includes moving the message to a destination folder.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the destination folder is a sent items folder.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein the destination folder is a deleted items folder.

12. (Currently amended) A system for sending a message using at least one transport, comprising:

an input component that receives the message and at least one address to deliver the message to;

an address processor that uses ~~data associated with the at least one address~~ the characters of the at least one address to determine a candidate transport to deliver the message, wherein the address processor indicates the candidate transport to deliver the message by associating a flag with the message setting a flag; and

a transport that uses the flag to determine if it should deliver the message, and if so, delivers the message.

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13. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the input component receives at least one address by performing the actions of:

providing a list of addresses;
receiving a selected address; and

providing data linked to the address, the data indicating a selected transport to deliver the message.

14. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein the address processor determines which candidate transport should deliver the message by searching for patterns in the data associated with the address.

15. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein if the address processor does not find a recognized pattern, it sets a flag indicating that a default transport should deliver the message.

16. (Original) The system of claim 12, wherein if the transport determines that it is the last to send the message, the transport moves the message to a sent box.

17. (Currently amended) A computer-readable media including computer-readable instructions for sending a message using at least one transport, the computer-readable media comprising:

means for receiving data including at least one address that identifies a destination for the message; and

for each address in the data,

means for determining a transport to deliver the message using characters of data associated with the address, and

means for setting a flag associated with the message to indicate the determined transport.

18. (Original) The computer readable media of claim 17, further comprising:

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each transport includes means for:

determining if the flag indicates the transport should deliver the message; and
if so, delivering the message.

19. (Currently amended) A computer-implemented method for sending a message using at least one transport, comprising:

receiving at least one recipient address that identifies a destination of the message is associated with the message; and

for each address,

determining a transport to deliver the message wherein the transport is determined from characters of the address; and

sending the message using the determined transport determined by the characters of the address.